

E. EDWIN HOWARD

B. 3 NOV. 1868  
M. 4 APR. 1906  
D. 19 MAY 1934

WOLFF ISLAND, ONTARIO  
MONTREAL TO EVALYN I. PEVERLEY  
MONTREAL BURIED: MAGOG, QUEBEC

CURRICULUM VITAE

EDUCATION: IROQUOIS HIGH SCHOOL, ONTARIO

INVERNESS ACADEMY, QUEBEC

MCGILL UNIVERSITY: BA. 1895 \*

PRESIDENT OF HIS CLASS

GOLD MEDALIST

B.C.L. 1898 \*

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1899 ADMITTED TO THE BAR

MEMBER OF THE FIRMS OF [LATER ON]:

HATTON, McLENNAN & HOWARD

McLENNAN, HOWARD & AYLMER

HOWARD, AYLMER & DE WITT

1908 PRESIDENT, CANADIAN CLUB OF MONTREAL.

1908 - 1914 REP. FELLOW IN LAW, MCGILL.

1912 - 1917 LECTURER IN CIVIL PROCEDURE, "

1918 - 1919 PROF. OF COMMERCIAL LAW, "

1920 ELECTIVE FELLOW IN LAW, "

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UNDERGRADUATE DRAMATICS  
"THE RUDENS OF PLATONUS"

E.E. HOWARD : DAEMONES

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(WM. NOTMAN & SON, MONTREAL)  
TAKEN: 1ST MAY, 1895



ANOTHER DEBATING TEAM?  
(J.G. PARKS MONTREAL)

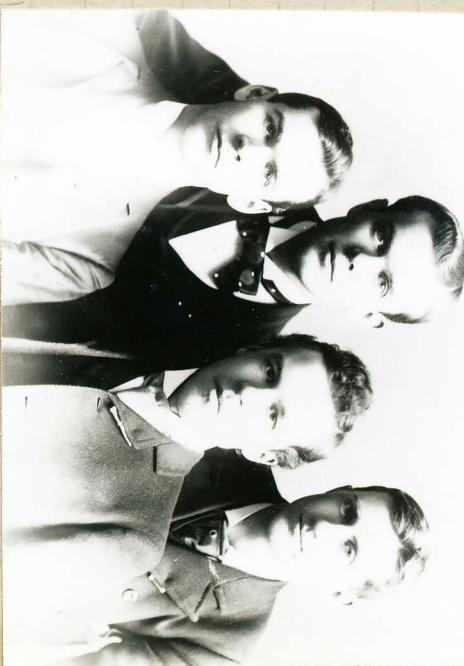
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(EVELYN HAS THE PURPLE  
TOGA IN WHICH WE AS CHILDREN  
USED TO DRESS UP)

\* Mother gave these gold medals (or was it just the 1895 one? which was awarded for Physics) to Alma who gave the B.A. one, because of the Physics to him. Nobody knows what happened to the B.C.L. medal. Perhaps it was used to help finance the European trip? H.M.

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(PHOTOGRAPHED IN TORONTO)



Edwin was thirty years old by the time he had finished his formal education — about five years above the average. This was because he was earning, by teaching, the money to pay his way. There is no mention that I can find of where he was teaching and the only hint of a home address comes in Old McGill 1898 when he was in his junior year in Law which gives Philipsburg, Que. But very often just as he had gathered enough money together there would be a crisis in the family and the money would have to be spent elsewhere. Anyway, he lived, during term time at least, in the M.A.A. Probably during his last year in Law he was articled to Mr. Francis McLennan's legal firm. I remember very clearly Moller telling us that he pawned his Arts' Gold Medal to pay for his first year in Law and then redeemed it as a later date.

It must have been Mr. McLennan who organized his trip to Europe in 1900. Undoubtedly, this brilliant young man who had been taken into the firm had need of a greater knowledge of French and of the world so he was sent to France for a year to study both the language and the Code Napoleon. While there he managed a trip to Italy and came back with mementos.

I still have the two Della Robbia bambini from Florence and Evelyn the two Botticelli Ampel pictures, but where the Little models of the leaning tower of Pisa and Giotto's campanili in Florence are I don't know.



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If I knew more about Freemasonry perhaps I would know why my father was interested in it and what the two documents in my possession actually mean. My guess is that he joined the Masons of the Grand Lodge of Quebec in Montreal shortly after he got back from Europe and that in November 1905 he became a 33rd degree (which is the highest and final degree) master of the American and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry (or, at least, I think this is what their "parchments" in the black trunk says). There was a lot of regalia and several masonic symbols in "gold" such as a stone mason might use. As children we played with these things (actually we more admired rather than played with them) and I think Mother gave them back to the Lodge after Daddy died. Edwin was fair with blue eyes. He wasn't tall (about 5' 10" or 11") but he was strongly built and had good coordination. He used his hands well and was quite good at the sports he took up. Apart from being able to ride a Penny-farthing bicycle, he was a keen snow-shoer and learned to play golf and to curl which, as a Quebecker man, he enjoyed greatly. He gave us children lots of encouragement in learning skills in any of the sports that appealed to us. We all swam from a very early age; we all could handle boats, including doing repairs on the Edmundston engine in the "Lady Jane". (The Buffalo engine in the long narrow mucky boat he had bought from Mrs Rawlidge was so complete that it deflated us). We all had our chance at the use of a diving board and a tennis court and at riding horses though, I guess, we would have been more proficient had there been lessons available. I was lucky

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because Marg Murray had a groom (whose name was Strange) to teach her how to ride and, you see, I wasn't letting an opportunity like that slip by me!



I include this last picture to show my father. It was taken at Evelyn's wedding (29<sup>th</sup> July 1933) ten months before he died.

From L. to R. Dr. Donald, Mrs Saunders, Mr. Saunders, Jack, Evelyn, Shalter and Daddy.

Looking back on that last year of my father's life I suppose I should have realized that he was not a well man. But I didn't. At 24 one is still so self-centred! I do remember him once saying that he and Mother thought he might retire early. But that was all. And then, in January, it was diagnosed that it was sclerosis of the liver (caused, I think, by worry — not by alcohol because he didn't drink) and he might have six months. He managed to complete his lectures at McGill but he didn't, I think, mark his students' papers.

He died at home on Saturday, the 29<sup>th</sup> of May. There was to be no eulogy at the funeral but at the Sunday morning Service this is what Dr. Donald said:

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"On the Bench I am told that he never faltered in his just, deliberate and painstaking judgments, and that he was widely respected."

"In the church he was a pillar of strength and reliability."

"In his home he was unselfish and thoughtful, imparting knowledge and in-

spiration and wise guidance to those most near to him."

"A great personality has passed on from among us. He faced life and quietly confident. He seemed to me to await the greatest adventure of all with

have assurance and faith."

I think I haven't yet said anything about Christmases. Then, like almost everything else in our early lives, seem to have been organized by Daddy. Always there were in our stockings an orange, a tangerine, nuts and miniature Japanese garden furniture (a bridge, a pagoda, etc., etc.) made of china and green trees - surred! Some vines a length or two of tracks for the model train; other things of course. And under the tree a copy of The Boys' Own Annual (for some reason we thought we scorned The Girls' Own Annual) which somehow seemed always to belong to Jane (her right, I guess, as the eldest) but which, I think, we all read. I did anyway.

Christmas Day was particularly organized - and each year when we were in town staying like all the others. Stockings hung on the ends

of beds and opened whenever; Breakfast; Church; mid-day dinner; 4 o'clock p.m. the doors to the living room opened and there was the tree all decorated and lit with candles; Daddy standing by (and close by him a pair of waiters). We all stood like statues and took it all in. It never ceased to be surprising and miraculous. Only the candles provided light so star like that it scarcely illuminated the piles of gifts all wrapped in white tissue paper, tied with coloured string and covered with stickers, but though we knew they were there it was the tree itself that held our attention for the 4 or 5 minutes the candles were allowed to burn.

When we were at the farm mostly the same routine but no church and the children had helped in decorating the tree — cut and dragged home on Christmas Eve — with only those things that the birds would eat — paper, cranberries, etc. and candy canes (for us) because on Boxing Day it was put outside where it was instantly popular with the birds!)

FROM P.A. 61. # I must add a note to the not-singing bit which is that sitting under the piano —

and this is where I was during the hymn-singing — I wasn't very happy until it occurred to me that if perhaps I just whispered the words I might be allowed to join in. So I asked Daddy and was very solemnly given permission.

During the years I developed a bit of technique in this —

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and lots of singing went on in our crowd I was there with my theory whispering.

The songs, I remember, were no longer "There's a long, long trail winding through the land of my dreams, where the nightingales are

are singing and the white moon beams . . ." or "There is a tavern in the town, in the town, where my true love sits him down, sits him down . . ."

etc. etc. beloved by my father, but "Let me call you sweet heart, I'm in love

with you . . ." and "I know so many so dance me loose, dance me loose . . ."

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moon for a quiet spoon just the Preacher, you and I . . . and others.



*Potman - son*

The Hon. Mr. Justice E. Edwin Howard CKB 1925



